

Panther Connections Quarter 4, 2023

Dear Parents and Guardians of PPHS,

Suddenly, we have started the 4th Quarter. Although there is still a lot of snow on the ground, we have approximately 9 weeks left of the school year. It's gone by so fast. It has been an incredible year!

As I reflect on the school year, one of the most incredible pieces of feedback the school has received is about the people here. The staff continues to get accolades for their care and concern for the students. The students get accolades for being incredible people who care about the school and the people around them. Parents, thank you for supporting the school and trusting us with your children. It is an honor to be part of their learning journey. As always, please feel free to connect with me if there is anything you need to support your student.

Sincerely,
Principal Carey Johnson
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April 5, 2023, Online Learning for PPHS

Due to the Sub-Section Music Contest taking place at PPHS, students who are not involved in the music contest will attend classes online from home. The Class Schedule is listed below and attendance will be taken.

April 5, 2023- Online Learning Schedule

8:20-10:00- Time to meet with teachers and paras, complete coursework, etc.

1st Hour 10:00-10:30

2nd Hour 10:40-11:10

3rd Hour 11:20-11:50

4th Hour 12:00-12:30

-12:30 LUNCH ON YOUR OWN-

5th Hour 1:00-1:30

6th Hour 1:40-2:10

7th Hour 2:20-2:50

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Discounted At-Home Internet

The Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) provides eligible households a discount of up to \$30 per month off their internet bills (or up to \$75 per month for households living on Tribal lands), as well as a one-time discount of up to \$100 off an eligible connected device like a laptop, desktop computer or tablet. In many cases, households can get high-speed internet without paying a dime by choosing a fully covered internet plan.

This announcement serves as a reminder that a household is eligible to participate in the ACP if a child in the household receives free or reduced-price school meals. Therefore, under the ACP rules, every household with a child attending a school participating in the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) of the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program is eligible for ACP benefits.

Households can learn more and apply for the ACP at [GetInternet.gov](https://www.getinternet.gov).

A flyer with specific information is included in the email for this newsletter.

Homework Help and Study Support

We continue to offer support systems in multiple ways. First and foremost, emailing the classroom teacher with concerns is a great way to troubleshoot and come up with ideas together. Additionally, we offer the support listed below.

- ★ Students seek the help of their classroom teacher first.
- ★ Panther Hour 12:11-12:33 in room 114 with Minnesota Honor Society students- no reservations needed.
- ★ Panther Hour with teachers or advisors- Students not passing will be ineligible for the following week's activities.
- ★ Saturday School- Scheduled in rSchool calendar on the PPHS website at 9:00 am. The schedule is also included below.
- ★ After-school tutoring is available with paraprofessional support in room 110 M-Th 3:10-4:00. Students must arrive at 3:10.

Saturday School Remaining Sessions, 9:00 a.m. - Noon

April 1, 15 & 29; May 6, 13, & 20

All Students are welcome to come and work, take tests, etc.

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Upcoming Dates to Remember

- **April 5-** Planned eLearning Day, scheduled classes online due to the music contest in the high school. Students not involved in the music contest are expected to be online for their classes. If you don't have stable internet access, students should communicate with their teachers ahead of time to make a plan.
- **April 7, 10-** No School
- **April 22-** Prom, Grand March @ 6:30
- **May 8-12-** 8th Grade South Dakota Field Trip
- **May 17-** Awards Night in the Large Gym
- **May 19-** Day of Caring and Spring Fling: Let me know if you or your neighbor need help in the yard or outside your home. Students will spend the morning giving back to the community.
- **May 26-** Last Student Day and Graduation¹

Wishing you sunshine!

“No matter how long the
winter, spring is sure to
follow.”

-Anonymous



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